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DEMING, NEW MEXICO

COMMENT.

Congress re-convenes on Monday next.

Judge Brewer has decided that the celebrated mammoth Beals grant, which claimed nearly all of eastern New Mexico, is a fraud.

What is the matter with Jo. E. Sheridan for county commissioner next fall? His political complexion, and intimacy at the Enterprise office.

The Chicago Herald shandered one of the jurymen in the Cronin case, and he has brought suit for \$25,000. A newspaper could not slander a jurymen in New Mexico. (Citizen.)

Isn't that a little rough on the statehood scheme?

The Louisville Courier-Journal asks, "Do great thoughts burst out the roots of hair?" and adds that half-headed men are pointing with pride to the fact that "nearly all the justices of the United States Supreme Court are more or less bare-headed."

Secretary Blaine is laying the wires for the Republican nomination for the Presidency in 1892. Cleveland is already the Democratic nominee, so we may look for a repetition of the campaign of 1888, with the difference of an enormously increased majority for the Democratic candidate.

Work has actively commenced on two more great irrigation enterprises in New Mexico—one along the lower Rio Grande in Dona Ana county, and the other at Pena Blanca, in Bernalillo county, running southward over the mesas bordering the Rio Grande. They will each cost several hundred thousand dollars, and will redeem some millions of acres of now useless but naturally productive land.

We're not proud—not a bit, and we have no vanity; but it does gratify us to be the recipient of such kindly expressions as that used by the Enterprise in its Deming article, and the following from an entertaining letter published in the Las Vegas Optic of the 20th:

Let me say a good word for the Deming Headlight. If that paper was a daily, and not so strikingly democratic, I fear the Optic would be compelled to say, "the second-best paper in the Territory."

The Albuquerque College Advocate advertises the beginning of the winter term of that institution on the 6th instant, and says that it is "just closing the most successful term of its history. It has had more than double the number of pupils this past term than it ever had in any previous term. All the departments have been successful beyond expectation. That our music department has a superior teacher in charge the public recall the college chapel last month conclusively proved."

The old Whig leaders persistently denied that a tariff is a tax, and their Republican executors for a long time persisted in the same fallacy, but Mr. Cleveland, in his speech at Boston a few days ago, seems to have convinced the followers of Daniel Webster that a tariff is a tax, and he will in consequence get many an old Whig-Republican Boston vote for the Presidency in 1892. It was a "campaign of education" of very large and far reaching results that Mr. Cleveland started in his brave message of 1887.

The Albuquerque Citizen states that the New Mexico libel law is a dead letter. The Citizen may be right, nevertheless it will continue to serve to some extent the purpose of those who framed and enacted it. (Hillsborough Advocate.)

That is for the press of the Territory to say. The law was aimed primarily at the press. Its odious and repressive provisions are a menace to the freedom of the press and to independent journalism. The law is a disgrace to New Mexico, and has done great harm to the reputation of her people for intelligence and capacity for self-government—for statehood—among all who do not know of the corrupt and debasing methods that produced the Legislature that passed it. It should be the duty of the press of the Territory to see that not a man who voted for that travesty upon legislation and American government ever again sees political daylight in New Mexico. That will secure its speedy repeal.

THE MAN OF PISTOLS.

That Grover Cleveland is endowed with qualities of statesmanship to a degree rarely exhibited in the long line of American statesmen, past or present, and is to-day by far the most prominent man in the country in the public estimation for the next term of the Presidency, has become conspicuous to the public apprehension of every man in the habit of observing the tendency of the times. The Tucson Star but voices the public verdict when it says:

It is quite evident that Cleveland is not passing into obscurity so rapidly as was predicted. The fact is, to-day Grover Cleveland is filling more room in the minds and affections of the people of the United States than any other man, public or private. His noble traits of character, his pure and unshaken statesmanship is working itself deep into the hearts of the people, his every utterance and his movements are noted with as much interest as are those of president Harrison. Cleveland is a great man with great convictions, and such men never go into obscurity.

Least Governor Richards, of Montana, holds that seven Republicans constitute a majority of sixteen members of the Montana senate. That is the way the Republicans hope to steal two United States senators from the new state of Montana. (Tucson Star.)

Richards had apparently taken a pointer from the record of the New Mexico House of Representatives of last winter, wherein it is shown that the distinguished Republican boss who acted as speaker ruled that fifteen was two-thirds of twenty-four and declared the bill passed over the Governor's veto. The Republican bosses are strong in political arithmetic.

We hear it said that statehood means progress. Did it ever occur to those that raise this howl that a state progresses only as her people progress. Progressive people make a progressive state. If the people of New Mexico are not progressive enough to own a single public school house as a territory, will it change those people any to make it a state and give them more power to abuse. When the territory of New Mexico can show school laws and school facilities equal to those of other territories now being admitted with equal population, then will we favor statehood. [Socorro Advertiser.]

We will be in favor of the people of New Mexico assuming the responsibility of statehood when we can show free school buildings and other evidences of the adoption of American institutions. [Socorro Advertiser.]

The position of the Advertiser is eminently correct. Give us a good American public school system and we will have an immigration that will soon fit New Mexico for statehood. The American immigrant does not go to countries where there are no American schools, nor where it is necessary to pass laws requiring school teachers to know how to read and write their native language, be it English or Spanish. The same degree of effort that is being made to secure the adoption of a very imperfect and bogus Constitution would be sufficient to get a Congressional school law for the Territory. That would ensure immigration and speedy statehood of a desirable character.

Col. Ashenfelter, of the Headlight, nominates W. A. Leonard, of the Enterprise, for probate judge. The honor is doubtless well deserved. However, if either of the editors of this paper were ever so unfortunate as to be nominated for any office beneath that of congressman or governor, they would make a better showing when the votes were counted up than did Col. Ashenfelter six years ago, or they would leave the country. [Silver City Enterprise.]

What base ingratitude! What total lack of appreciation! If Pink Leonard goes up to the editorial convention, we'll get our friend Maxey Frost to "run a blazer" on him. But, seriously, Mr. Leonard, in that matter, we manifested the spirit of Christian charity which has come to be regarded as our leading characteristic. We moved right here into the precinct in which we were principally "slaughtered"—and to-day, we can repeat the sage remark made by the dog when some cruel wretch cut off the animal's tail: "You can't do it again." We have made our enemies to love us, and that is much better than leaving the country. Emulate our example, and you too, may yet come to be regarded as a Christian gentleman.

The ex-empress of Brazil died at Lisbon on the 29th of December of heart disease.

DEMING!

Proud Queen of the South and the West.

A CITY OF GREAT BUSINESS ACTIVITY AND PLEASANT HOMES.

[From the Silver City Enterprise.] "Roofed by a sky of cerulean blue, Walled by the mountains grand, Floored with carpets of many a hue, As this beautiful mesa land."

The location of Deming as the site for a railway center is due to the foresight of the engineers in charge of the preliminary surveys of the A. T. & S. F. R. R. Co. Geographically considered, the location is conceded by those competent to judge of such matters, as one destined not only to become a railroad, but a commercial and a manufacturing center as well. Nature has been lavish in the bestowal of her gifts, and the enterprise and energy of her citizens in developing and utilizing every available resource; even to the casual observer it will be readily noted that Deming is destined to become one of the "future greats" of the territory.

The town site is laid out upon one of the most attractive and desirable plateaus of the southwest, having an altitude above sea level of 4900 feet. Situated as it is at the junction of two great continental lines of railways, the Atchafalaya, Topeka and Santa Fe, and the Southern Pacific, which span the continent, and the Sierra Madre & Pacific, and the Sonora, Mineros and Chihuahua routes now under active construction, which will afford practical means for the development of the great industrial resources of the state of Sonora, Chihuahua, and Sinaloa, in northern Mexico, it is especially designed to offer every inducement to the various manufacturing interests of the country, the best facilities for handling the enormous amount of traffic growing out of the development of the great mineral, agricultural and pastoral resources tributary to Deming.

Commercially considered the location gives to the town superior advantages, and the completion of the southern lines of railroads into the Republic of Mexico in connection with these already established, will give to Deming the prestige of being a center of wealth, of commerce, and manufactures, in a territory whose area is an empire in extent, the resources of which embrace every known article used by civilized man.

In addition to the railroad lines already mentioned, a connection with the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific is talked of, and a line to connect these business north through the immense ore-producing districts of western New Mexico and the productive and well-watered mountain valleys and extensive coal-fields of that section, and on the north to cross the Atlantic & Pacific railroad at the coal-producing town of Gallup, and thence to Durango, Colorado.

Deming is almost in the center of the richest land and silver producing portion of New Mexico, and is one of the most desirable points in the southwest for the location of large smelting and reduction works. A circle with a radius of 100 miles will include as feeders for Deming the mining districts of many of the camps in and around Silver City, the Three Horns, the Florida, Cook's Peak, the Hermosa, Kingston, Hillsboro, Lake Valley, Pima Alta, Macilla, Apache, Volcano, and other producing mining camps. Many of the mines in these camps have been steadily worked for years and are making regular and profitable shipments to distant smelters. One mine owner alone, in the Florida, will guarantee a smelter 1000 tons of good lead ore per month. Every pound of the productions of all these camps will be reduced at this point at no distant day.

Two companies have filed articles of incorporation for the purpose of digging and conducting the water of the Minero river, south to the rich land surrounding Deming, and extending to and far below the Mexican line. The mesa of which Deming is the center is about 125 by 80 miles in extent, every foot of which, under irrigation, will produce any crop known to the temperate zone equal to the best portion of California. A careful estimate of the amount of water in the Minero river has satisfied the incorporators that they can control water sufficient to irrigate a tract of land much greater in extent than that over which they expect to run their canal. The experience of every country where crops are produced by irrigation has been that it is the safest and surest system of farming. It makes the farmer and fruit raiser independent of the "seasons," and enables him to maintain the ground when needed. The cost of irrigation is not worth counting when compared with the advantages.

The experiments made in the gardens of Deming and on neighboring ranches have shown that every seed put into the soil and properly cared for will produce bountifully. No better soil is found anywhere, and the attitude renders fruit crops safe from all the insect pests that infest and discourage fruit raisers in the east. All that is lacking to make this a garden spot equal to Pasadena or the best parts of Fresno and Tulare counties, California, has been the water, and now that the same means are to be used here that transformed these sections from desert wastes into orchards and vineyards, one can look ahead three or four years and see the town surrounded by orchards, vineyards, market gardens, and farms that will give a substantial backing that can only come to a section that produces what it consumes and what others must have. This will make Deming for thousands of farmers, and cause an influx of population never before known in the settlement and civilization of the far west.

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The science of civil engineering has demonstrated that there is sufficient water to sustain a city of the size of Deming, and the experience gained by the experiments already inaugurated, indicate that the theories advanced by the engineers will bear faithful results and add greatly to the prosperity of the city, and will be the direct means of inducing individual effort in the development of this important resource of the city's resources. Farmers and ranchmen by using such a may at a slight expenditure as compared with the benefits to be derived, secure better apparatus and the requisite machinery, be enabled to secure a bountiful supply of water and reclaim many of the now almost worthless table lands, and reap rich harvests of every known cereal, to say nothing of the fruits which the soil of New Mexico produces in abundance when properly irrigated.

The city in the past has suffered greatly by fire, and three times has almost been obliterated by the devouring element. Yet notwithstanding these reverses of fortune the industry and unflinching faith of the people came to the rescue and each disaster has stimulated them to greater endeavor, and the result is a compactly built city of substantial brick residences, dwellings and store rooms, and viewing it to-day one can scarcely realize that ten years ago, the nearest dwelling or cabin to the present town site and city of Deming, was 20 miles distant. This energy, this enterprise, and this unbounded faith has not been unappreciated, and the inevitable result of shrewd business tact and talent has wrought for the town the best of the future. This energy, this enterprise, and this unbounded faith has not been unappreciated, and the inevitable result of shrewd business tact and talent has wrought for the town the best of the future.

The morning settlement about ninety miles distant contributes largely to the mercantile growth of Deming, and it is gratifying to note that this peculiar religious sect are giving their undivided attention to the education of the young of their communities. At present the public school within the boundaries of Old Mexico and without the limits of the Zona Libre, there are over one hundred children receiving the benefits of a common school education, and this advantage has the effect on those not of the "faith" to send their children to this ably conducted school that they too may derive some of the advantages of an education. The weekly receipts of fees from the school and the contributions of the various churches and societies, including an appreciable amount of wool, etc.

The educational facilities are first-class, and the people of Deming take a great deal of pride in their graded schools. The average daily attendance varies from 150 to 200. The school edifice is alike creditable to the enterprise of the people and the rapid growth of the city.

While the drift of public enterprise and opinion have united upon the central idea of making a vast enterprise, the question of religion has not been neglected, as the best and commendable edifices attest. The various denominations are represented and the communication of either the Catholic or Protestant denomination can find a place to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.

The Deming Headlight, by the southwestern publishing company, is a fine local paper, devoted to the interest of Deming and Democracy. It is, perhaps, the most ably edited newspaper in the territory. Its Editor, E. O. Ross and Hon. S. M. Ashenfelter divide the editorial honors.

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